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Academic Dishonesty Policy revised

by Tim D. Kane
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On September 1, 1990, the Academic Dishonesty Policy at Fitchburg State College was changed. In the past, the policy's sanctions were imposed solely by department chairpersons. The revised policy spreads the responsibility across all college representatives.

"The problem before was that the Academic Dishonesty Policy was absorbed inside the Student Judicial Code. Some of the sanctions fell short of a full description and the policy did not involve faculty," said Elaine Gardiner, Dean of Undergraduate studies at FSC. While maintaining the policy inside the Student Judicial Code, a Committee on Academic Dishonesty was formed with two faculty members, two students from the Judicial Board, and an

Academic Administrator from the Academic Affairs Office.

The new policy allows the professor to handle the initial incident of dishonesty by charging the student with any of four sanctions. Students can be given additional course requirements, a 0.0 grade for the work in question, 0.0 grade for the course, or they can be referred to the department chairperson for "transmittal" of the case to the Committee on Academic Dishonesty.

The student also can take the incident directly to the department chairperson if he/she refutes the faculty decision. "The new policy has added a safeguard for the student where the student can initiate the committee process. This was something the policy never contained before it's revision," said Gardiner.

If the incident is heard by the Committee on Academic

Dishonesty, the committee can impose any sanction and the decision cannot not be appealed. Dean Gardiner stressed the fact that students and faculty need to understand the process because there are time-lines that have to be followed.

"Academic dishonesty does not have a clear-cut definition. What students are most familiar with is taking other students ideas and passing them off as their own in what we call Plagiarism," said Gardiner.

There have been only six cases of dishonesty dealt with on an administrative level in the last six years. The fact that the Academic Dishonesty Policy has been revised might infer that many students are cheating but the cases are being handled by faculty members or they go unnoticed.

"Over the years, generally, schools have loosened a bit. It was more common when I was in college for students to be expelled from a school for academic dishonesty. The loosening of society and stan-

dards has led to this increase in cheating," said Gardiner. She went on to state that there may be a shift back to the "old days" because of a concern about the extent of cheating among college students.

The Committee on Academic Dishonesty is the end of the process for students. If the incident is severe it might involve suspension or expulsion which only President Mara can decide upon. "We have expelled and we have suspended at least three students in the last three years for Academic dishonesty," said Gardiner.

Students apathy towards cheating or plagiarism raises the question of where you draw the fine line. Gardiner feels strong in her conviction that faculty should take the academic dishonesty definition and make it more specific for their discipline. "Students sometimes unwittingly commit plagiarism. Common things you see in freshman composition courses, with a student with a weak English background, is that they will



Dean Gardiner

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paraphrase and think it is not word for word or that it is not plagiarism. It is a hard distinction to know when to use quotation marks and when not to," said Gardiner.

Gardiner elaborated on the closely tied efforts of cheating with grades. "It's too bad that grades are so important. It is self-defeating. An education is not something you buy. You pay for the privilege of working and earning a degree."

Look for
QUESTION OF THE WEEK
on Plagiarism

Changes proposed in Financial Aid

by Daniel Dobransky
Strobe staff

Every five years the federal government overhauls the Higher Education Act, which is the blueprint for financial aid programs for college students. Mary Beth Courtright, Director of Financial Aid at Fitchburg State College, recently visited Washington D.C. where she learned about some new proposals.

Courtright has learned that the Education Department and the Bush Administration is expected to propose an expansion in the maximum Pell Grant from the present \$2400 to \$3700. A grant is money given to undergraduate students from the government for financial aid. Grant money does not have to be paid back.

The federal government would also like to create a \$500 achievement scholarship for Pell Grant recipients which would be given to students who have a high grade point average upon graduating from high school.

The Bush Administration would like more loan programs to be available for middle-class students. The first of these loans is the Stafford Loan which is a federally insured loan offered at an eight percent interest rate by lenders to students who qualify financially.

The government wants the Stafford Loan limit to go from \$2625 to \$3500 a year for first and second year students. From \$4000 to \$5000 a year for third, fourth, and five year students. The loan limit for graduate students would stay the same at \$7500.

Furthermore, there are plans for Supplemental Loans for students to increase from \$4000 to \$6000 a year for undergraduates, and from \$4000 to \$10,000 for graduate students.

The SLS and the Parents Loan for Undergraduate Students are both federally insured loans which can be taken out by students or

Second rape reported on Campus

by Michael Shelton
Strobe staff

Fitchburg State College campus police arrested an off-campus visitor in connection with an alleged rape. Matthew Pezzarossi, 20, of 20 Kimball Ave., Wakefield, was charged with allegedly raping an FSC junior.

The incident allegedly occurred early Friday morning, September 27, in the New Hall residence complex where the alleged victim is a resident.

The woman contacted FSC's Department of Public Safety immediately after the alleged rape and campus police responded to the scene. Officer Karen Lovett of FSC Public Safety was the investigating officer.

After conducting an investigation and interviewing students, campus police contacted Pezzarossi at his Wakefield address Friday evening. Pezzarossi came in voluntarily to FSC's Public Safety office Monday morn-

ing, September 30, where he was formally charged with rape and arrested.

Pezzarossi pleaded not guilty to one count of rape in Fitchburg District Court Monday and was released on \$10,000 personal recognizance and ordered to stay away from the alleged victim. He is scheduled to appear at a probable cause hearing Thursday, October 10.

According to campus police, the alleged victim did not know Pezzarossi. The alleged attacker was an invited guest in the residence building but he was not invited into the alleged victim's room.

Campus police believe that the case was alcohol-related. "Alcohol was probably a factor in the circumstances of this case," said Officer Bill Mayrose of FSC Public Safety. "Alcohol is a common denominator in many crimes on campus. When people drink they dull their reasoning capabilities and that can be dangerous for both the drinker and the people around him."

The case is still under investigation by campus police and additional charges may be brought against Pezzarossi or other individuals in connection with the alleged incident. The alleged victim still attends the college.

The rape charge is the second such report in the space of a month. The first rape report occurred during the first week of classes when FSC student Cedric Thomas, 24, of 73 Melville Ave., Dorchester, was arrested Friday, September 6, and charged with raping a Russell Towers resident.

"Neither incident was the type that could be prevented by increased security," said FSC Director of Information Services Mike Shanley, "in one case the alleged attacker was a resident student, in the other it was a visiting friend of a student."

Shanley noted FSC's ongoing effort to educate stu-

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Newman Center will be holding A.A. group meetings on Wednesdays at 5:00p.m. in The Newman Center Activities Room. Smokers' Anonymous meetings are held on Tuesdays at 7:00p.m. in The Newman Center Activities Room.

Newman Center Schedule of Services:

Sunday 11:00a.m.
 Monday 9:00p.m.
 Tuesday 4:30p.m.
 Wednesday 4:30p.m.
 Long Weekends - no Sunday Service.

Adult Children of Alcoholics group meetings are held from 3:30-5:30p.m. on Wednesdays in rooms B26 and B27 of the Hammond Building.

A support group for students whose parents have recently divorced will be held on Tuesdays from 3:30-5:00p.m. until October 22 in Counseling Services, located on the third floor of the Hammond Building.

Awareness, Responsibility Togetherness, Success - HIV - AIDS AWARENESS DAY! October, 17, 1991, stay tuned for details.

Attention Nursing Students: The Epsilon Beta Chapter of Sigma Theta Tau invites you to attend a special "Welcome to Sigma" program on Wednesday, October 9, at 6:30p.m. in the Miller Oval. This informal evening will give you the opportunity to learn about Sigma Theta, the international honor society for nursing.

There will be a Radon Awareness meeting on Wednesday, October 16 in room G-5 of the Hammond Building at 7:00p.m. There will be a guest speaker on this issue.

Speaking Up without blowing up: ASSERTIVENESS TRAINING, Beginning Thursday September 26, 1991 - this is a five week program. Come to Counseling Services, third floor of the Hammond Building.

Self Esteem Body Image workshop will meet for six weeks beginning Wednesday, October 23, at 6:00p.m. in Counseling Services.

S.A.V.E. (Students Against Violent Encounters) will meet every Thursday at 4:30p.m. in Counseling Services beginning October 17.

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Counseling Services host awareness programs

by Carrie Valletta
 Strobe staff

On Thursday, September 26th, Sharon Samo-Barbanel and Kelley Thomson of Counseling Services, conducted a workshop for students on the sixth floor of Aubuchon Hall entitled "Rape Awareness." According to Samo-Barbanel, "the number one rape on a college campus is date rape." Date rape means the rapist knew the victim in some way. It is also referred to as acquaintance rape.

The residents listened attentively as Samo-Barbanel informed them, "Rapists look

for someone who is vulnerable." She said that women must be aware of their surroundings, referring to this as being "Healthily Paranoid."

Counseling Services have hosted various programs this past week. The purpose of these programs was to inform the students of what rape is, what women can do to protect themselves and what the recovery process involves.

Another program was held the previous night in Aubuchon Hall entitled "Respect Your Sex." Judy Gould and Holly Kreidler Phaneuf from Counseling Services spoke with the women. The Resident Assistants respon-

sible for the program were Sandra Salmon and Joyce Teso. The discussion covered what is respectable sex versus disrespectful sex.

Counseling Services is open with various hours and crisis hours during the week. Appointments can be made by calling Ext. 3152 or in person. The office is located on the third floor of the Hammond Building.

Rape is a violent crime. Nationally, on college campuses, one out of six women attending reported being raped. One out of fifteen men attending reported having committed rape.



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Organization News

S.A.R.A. represents the Student Alumni Relations Association at Fitchburg State College. The student organization founded by Denise Popko and now headed by Denise Enstrom performs the task of assisting the Alumni Association with particular projects, activities, programs and special events. The activities are held at FSC to benefit the students, alumni and faculty.

One of S.A.R.A.'s major objectives is to distribute information involving the various happenings on campus to FSC students and alumni.

Prior to various functions and events, we invite and urge students to attend and take part. This can be a time to meet our alumni and learn about the history of FSC while discussing various changes that have been made to the campus.

The past few years S.A.R.A. has been quite active on campus. In March of 1990 S.A.R.A. assisted the Alumni Association in designing a brick walkway between Thompson hall and the Hammond building. In addition to the last few successful years, S.A.R.A. strives to continue to hold a good organization reputation at FSC.

This year, S.A.R.A. has already begun planning for several upcoming events. Watch for signs, get involved, and join the fun!

Amnesty International needs your help. While it is true that peace is sweeping the planet, torture and other human rights abuses still exist in great numbers. We are an apolitical fundamental human rights organization fighting to stop injustices wherever they occur. If you wonder what you as one person can do to stop these atrocities, find out. Come to Amnesty International's general meetings, every Tuesday at 7:30 pm in the Ellis White Lecture Hall (located off of G-Lobby).

As you walk around the FSC campus and look around, you probably have noticed large red signs that say "CROP stop hunger." CROP is an organization set out to stop world hunger. There are number of ways this goal is achieved. Emergency assistance is given by providing third world areas with food, medical care, shelter and public health. Other areas of assistance are providing them with better education, as well as teaching them how to render their own food.

If you live in the Residence Halls, you could refrain from eating in Holmes Dining Commons on Friday the 18th of October. The money that would have been spent on your meal will go to CROP. You don't have to starve all day, there will be what is called a "Poor Man's Lunch." This is the equivalence of what a person who is receiving aid from CROP would eat on a normal day. To be a part of this event sign up on October 15-17, in G-lobby and the Holmes Dining Commons. If you do not live in a Residence Hall but would still like to offer assistance, donation receptacles are available in the Commuter's Cafeteria.

Every 60 seconds, 28 people die from hunger related causes.

Editorials and Opinions . . .

Bush: President for the people?

by Eric Heliweg
Strobe staff

You have to give him credit. George Bush has managed to avoid the seemingly unsurmountable domestic problems that have plagued this country for three years. Eleven years if you count the time he spent under the wings of Captain Teflon. One would think, or hope rather, that he would wake up and realize that his primary concern as President of the United States is, indeed, The United States. Alas, he continues to plod along, waving his Desert Storm flag, shunning all those around him.

The latest bill to land on his desk, the plan that calls for the extension of unemployment benefits in this time of great recession, proves how honestly deceptive the man is. The plan provides for a seven to twenty week extension of benefits for those who have no work and have exhausted their

unemployment funds. Both houses of Congress have passed the measure, and the veto fight looms on Capitol Hill. When the first version of this bill came to Bush, he pulled a fast one on us all by signing the bill, yet refusing to declare a state of emergency, thereby withholding the necessary funds. Can't you just picture two newly homeless men marvelling at Bush's craftiness? "Golly, Frank, he sure is a trickster!"

The newer version doesn't require the declaration of emergency to release the funds. The republicans claim that this is a budget-busting bill, and that the \$6.4 billion required for the bill would halt the progress the economy has made. Bush himself claims that "the bill comes at a time when the nation is finally moving out of a recession." Tell that to the people down at the unemployment office on Main Street. Or anyone else for that matter who deals on

one with the streets and the people of this country.

Drastic times require drastic measures. Although this bill does require \$6.4 billion more than the budget allows, the budget was drawn up well over a year ago, when times weren't nearly as tough. With the leading economic indicators still plumping, some emergency relief is in order.

Since President Theodore Roosevelt's time, the government has been a government for the people; a welfare system if you will. If this bill will keep more honest people off the streets, then it is a bill that must be instated. The republican's say that the bill is \$6.4 billion over budget. I'm sure that the people sleeping on steel grates tonight would rather see the money come out of the \$290-plus billion dollar defense budget than have another person endure their plight.

The hero of Kennebunkport

by Stephen M. Gemme
Contributing writer

As we return to Fitchburg State this Fall, it would be nice if we could say a few words of thanks to President Bush for the excellent example he has set this summer. Mr. Bush certainly knows how to enjoy himself, and we college students should consider ourselves lucky to have a Chief Executive that knows how to have a good time.

Who cares if the United States is falling apart, right? But we're over stating the issue. Things aren't that bad. The fishing is great at Kennebunkport, and so are the press conferences. I've never seen so many reporters asking questions in such an orderly manner, does the President and the National Press Corps rehearse before they go on the air? Anything for the Hero of Kennebunkport.

And he is a hero. Look at all he has done to deal with the education crisis in our nation. Few have had the skill, the talent and ability to ignore such a serious problem and still retain a 78 percent approval rating. Even Ronald

Reagan wasn't that good, but Reagan didn't have people like John Sununu around to cause distractions and divert public opinion. Where else can you find a head butler like Sununu, arrogant, haughty, and a good skier too!

But enough about Bush's head butler, this article is dedicated to the great skill of President Bush himself. A skill that has not only managed to cut higher education scholarships to the bone, abandon the war on drugs, and forget a domestic agenda that's badly needed in this country. He's started looking for a new job. I suspect it's Secretary General of the United Nations. If he gets the job he'll be able to vacation all over the world rather than just the US. This week Maine, next week Rio. I bet big John Sununu can't wait.

In these days when state college students can barely afford tuition, it's nice to know that the values George Bush projects won't change the way we look at him, even if they are neck deep in hypocrisy.

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Women urged to be cautious

by James Finn
Strobe staff

In a recent national survey, one out of every six college women reported being a victim of rape or attempted rape last year. Date rape, also known as acquaintance rape or silent rape, occurs on college campuses with more frequency than any other assault towards women.

DATE rape is defined as a sexual assault against a woman that is committed by someone the victim knows. Rapists come in all shapes and sizes, he could be the cute guy who smiles at you in class, a friend you meet at a keg party or even your boyfriend. Rape is an act of violence and a violation of a woman's personal rights. Rape can cause great emotional and physical injury.

Rape is never the victim's fault. "Rape is a violent crime, it has nothing to do with the way you dress or how pretty you are. It has to do with whether or not you can be perceived as a victim," stated Sharon Samo-Barbanel, Director of Counseling Services.

Samo-Barbanel contends almost all date rapes occur when alcohol is involved. "Since I have been at FSC there has been only one rape that hasn't involved alcohol in some way," Samo-Barbanel stressed that women should keep their wits about them at all time. "Alcohol fogs the mind and can cause a woman to make poor judgments. The key is to not drink to the point when your not in control of yourself," stated Samo-Barbanel.

Judy Gould, a psychotherapist in Counseling Services advised that women should never walk alone off campus. "If they're going to a party make sure they go in a large group, and leave the

party that way." Many women, once at a party will "scoot" and then leave with the man. All too often the woman does not know her new acquaintance well enough but still takes him back to her room. This is where the danger lies and how many rapes occur.

Samo-Barbanel and Gould said that women should know their surroundings and always have an escape route in case of trouble. Barbanel and Gould also stressed that women should not go for a run with headphones on, this takes away their sense of hearing allowing a possible attacker to sneak up on them.

"Being assertive," stated Samo-Barbanel, "is very important. Be able to look someone in the eye and tell them to leave you alone. This will also allow you to give a good description of your attacker to the police."

Some other tips for women to protect themselves in their home or room are: lock your door at all times, don't prop doors open, don't shower late at night and don't broadcast your vulnerability. If your roommate goes home every weekend don't let people know you're alone in your room every weekend. Women can help themselves a great deal by not putting themselves in a vulnerable position," stated Gould.

With a growing concern in the media of alleged acquaintance rape cases like William Kennedy Smith and former heavyweight champion Mike Tyson, studies are beginning to reveal that date rape on college campuses is very prevalent. Women at college or anywhere should take measures to protect and educate themselves against a heinous crime such as rape.



Another Bad Townhouse: Anjenette Lopes, Nicole Mars, Heather Hurley, Eitika Robertson, Pam Ventura, and Nadine Michel

Cara Zimmerman

ABT grabs first prize

by Gail Considine
Contributing writer

Access Program's annual Lip Sync Contest was held amid chaos Thursday night. Ten acts were scheduled to appear as of three o'clock Thursday afternoon and some last minute add-ins were anticipated by Selvin Chambers, program organizer. Unfortunately, only two of the stated acts showed up to perform and there was only one impromptu arrival.

Denise Pouliot took center stage at 7:20 p.m. to inform the audience that, if another act didn't show up, \$2 of the \$3 admission price would be reimbursed to all in attendance.

Kenton Jacobs, Unicia Young, and Darcey Welch added in their act "WWF at FSC." Although not a lip sync, it was enough to claim a \$10 prize.

Second prize went to a group with a great deal of gusto. "The Skimmers"- Mark Bruno, Justin Mechan, and Domenic D'Angelis- performed to RUSH with a enough fervor to claim a \$20 showing.

The highlight of the evening, and \$40 first prize winners, were Anjenette Lopes, Nicole Mars, Heather Hurley, Eitka Robertson, Pam Ventura, and Nadine Michel. They referred to themselves as Another Bad Townhouse (ABT). ABT danced and lip-synched into

first place to "Playground" by Another Bad Creation. The energy in the act permeated the room especially as the song drew to a close. The women ran off the stage only to come back with squirt guns, which were used to ambush the enthralled crowd.

Campus Pizza generously donated \$25 to the event. Money raised by this Access Program will provide students in need with book money or fare home during emergencies.

Judges for the event were Angelo Remos, James Carrington, and Albert Turner. The performers were judged on a combination of originality, showmanship, and lip sync ability.

Wellness festival held in Parkinson Gym

By Cliff Cain
Strobe staff

The Residence Life Wellness Program culminated last Thursday with a Wellness Festival in Parkinson's Gymnasium. Many campus organizations and two bands donated their time and efforts to the event.

The Psychology Club was answering questions relating to the Psychology curriculum, giving out information about graduate schools and attempting to recruit new members. The Psychology Club, con-

cerned with the wellness of the Flieburg community, have been doing volunteer work for the Cedar St. Home. One representative said, "I would like to see more people become actively involved."

Students Against Violent Encounters (SAVE), organized a table to raise their peers awareness of violent encounters on campus.

SAVE is a proactive group that "attempts to dispel the myths surrounding the occurrence of violent encounters." Their booth provided informative pamphlets containing

phone numbers of services that are available to victims of sexual assault or harassment. They were also informed the public of a demonstration that Dr. Ford presented on October 3 in Thompson Tunnel. Ford demonstrated the uses of ukabaton, a small self defense weapon.

The Tokalon Society joined forces with the Cancer Society to advertise the upcoming National Smoke-Out Week which will occur November 17-23. On Thurs-

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Crazy Cramming

by Dianne Brown
Strobe staff

Why do teachers even bother to give due dates for things a month in advance? All that merely provides is the opportunity to procrastinate for an entire month only to write about the "Social Implications and Effects of The Molting Pattern of Kangaroo Rats upon the entire Phylum Chordata." Unless, of course, you're studying for the fifteen page pure essay final written entirely in French for your Advanced French History class. Either way, an all-nighter is inevitable.

The most crucial challenge of the all-nighter is staying awake. Some people opt for a quick Vivarin or a strong cup of coffee. Being a true veteran of the all-nighter, a mere caffeine wake up call will not suffice to keep my two ton lashes from succumbing to the extra strength night time gravitational pull. I take my Vivarin spiked coffee intravenously while simultaneously braiding my eyelashes into my eyebrows. Any musical group which not only can be measured on the Richter scale, but can't tell the difference between the front and back of their heads and uses the mastication of live rats as a family crowd pleaser, is suitable for the all-nighter's listening enjoyment.

Once awake, the paper must be researched. Our library has over four floors of books on every subject ranging from "The Long Term Effects of Underwater Basket Weaving" to "The Four Million and One Uses of Our Friend, The Gall Bladder." However, the only books with the bindings mutilated and shedding are the good old twenty one volumes of Encyclopedia Britannica. No one gives a Kangaroo Rat's ass about the 40 volume books that Dr. I-Spent-My-Entire-Life-In-Rodent-Hair wrote about the subject. I just want answers and I want them fast, hell, maybe even with a cute little picture of the little furball doing his stuff, but make it short.

The Word processor, the enemy of all hunt peck typers, awaits the data of my research with evil baited micro chips. The computer must always wait until that precise, calculated moment, when the bulk of your document has been entered, to get hungry. The mass ingestion of the molting pattern of my Kangaroo Rat paper is devoured in a single bite. By now, it is morning. The percolator has given its last perk, and I'm left empty handed. That's when plan B comes into effect. Skip the class, write the stupid paper during the day, and tell 'em Aunt Bertha died.

UVA Rays pose tanning risk

by Alicia Dorenelly
Strobe staff

Americans are bombarded with information concerning the hazardous effects ultraviolet rays can have on skin. Even so, one million Americans a day patronize tanning salons. People are convinced that this is a "safe" method of tanning. They believe that during this "controlled" method of tanning there are no health risks involved as long as they do not burn.

A new study from Michigan State University College of Human Medicine shows that salontanning is not as safe and controlled as people believe. The proprietors of the salons may play a big part in keeping the myth of safe tanning alive. Thirty-one propri-

etors in Michigan were interviewed about the safety precautions taken in the salons, and what they believe the health risks of salon tanning are. Seventy-one percent believed that tanning booths are safer than tanning outdoors. Eighty-one percent believed that tanning salons could prevent sunburn when used to pre-sun before outdoor exposure. Only seven percent of those interviewed agreed that tanning booths could cause skin cancer.

"In fact, studies show that the sunburn protection one gets from a sunbathing booth is very modest—about the equivalent to wearing a sunscreen with an SPF of 4," said Patrick Alguire, M.D., Professor of Medicine who headed the study.

POLICE BLOTTER

Campus Police Officers from the FSC Office of Public Safety reported the following incidents during the two week period ending September 29, 1991. Some of these are alleged incidents and others are still under investigation. Due to space limitations, this is an edited Police Blotter.

Faculty member reported theft of drawing boards from I.A. Building classroom.

Fitchburg Police on campus investigating an off-campus incident where FSC student attempted to use altered driver's license to purchase alcoholic beverage.

Larceny of student's books reported from Holmes Dining Common.

Attempted daytime breaking and entering of employee's car.

Bookstore personnel reporting shoplifter. Campus police investigation led to locating male student responsible.

Vandalism to McKay School playground equipment reported on 9/20.

Larceny of Athletic Department equipment from Athletic Field.

Fireworks confiscated from student in residence hall on 9/21.

License plate stolen from car parked in Upper Weston Lot.

Illegal possession of alcohol/drugs involving non-students in North Street Lots as well as driver operating after license suspension. Car towed by Campus Police; other action pending.

Report of a car stolen from Russell Towers area. Car later recovered on Myrtle Avenue.

Campus Police officers respond to 13 complaints of noise and/or disturbances. All incidents resulted in dispersals of individuals/groups without further problems.

Three cars were towed from campus parking lots due to unregistered/expired plates.

Larceny of a student's keys and ID card from Dining Hall.

Larceny of clothing and other personal items reported by resident hall students.

Officers responded to several incidents of McKay youths fighting and causing other problems as they walked home from school.

Report of assault and battery under the domestic abuse statute; emergency restraining order authorized by district court judge.

Student injured at Athletic Field. FSC Rescue Squad and campus police responded. Male transported by ambulance to Burbank Hospital.

Breaking and Entering into student's car parked in Ross Street Lot on 9/26; cb radio stolen from within.

Report of fight in Miller Parking Lot; group dispersed upon arrival of officers.

Female resident student reported that she was raped in the early morning hours of 9/27. Investigation led to the arrest of a 20 year old male (non-student) from Wakefield on 9/30; due back in court on 9/30. After arraignment in District Court on one count of rape, he was released on personal recognizance.

Separate incidents of harassing/obscene phone calls received by resident hall students.

Report of windows being smashed at Aubuchon Hall in the early morning hours of 9/28. Responding officers' investigation led to the arrest of a 19 year old male visitor from North Reading. He was charged with Malicious Destruction of property (\$1,000); arraigned in District Court on 9/30; due back in court on 11/11.

Two separate incidents of local youth lighting paper and wood fire in Town House area. Three teenagers apprehended by police in one incident.

The proprietors of the salons tell customers that they only use the "safe UVA rays." According to Dr. Alguire, UVA light penetrates the skin deeper than natural sunlight. This means the rays can damage blood vessels, collagen, and elastic tissues leading to premature aging of the skin. UVA light can also damage the skin's immune system, and cause skin cancer.

Federal law requires tan-

ning salons put health and safety warnings on all of their equipment. Researchers have found that many proprietors post the warnings on their equipment, but put them behind the tanning lights where customers cannot see them.

Dr. Alguire said, "There are no warnings to people who take certain medications such as antibiotics who may be at in-

creased risk of a photosensitivity reaction from using tanning booths."

Although the myth of "controlled safe tanning" still persists, evidence is rapidly being accumulated proving that there really is no such thing as a safe tan.



Financial Aid cont.

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 parents from lending institutions at variable rates. The current rate is 9.75 percent.

"The Education Department and the Bush Administration would like to make changes to grants and loans for students, but they do not want to appropriate any additional funding for these programs," said Courtright.

Courtright also points out that some programs such as College Work Study, which provides jobs for financially qualified students, may have to be cut back to balance the budget.

The administration, however, did not mention any changes to the Perkins Loan. This loan can be taken out by a graduate or undergraduate student at a five percent interest rate from the college attended by the student.

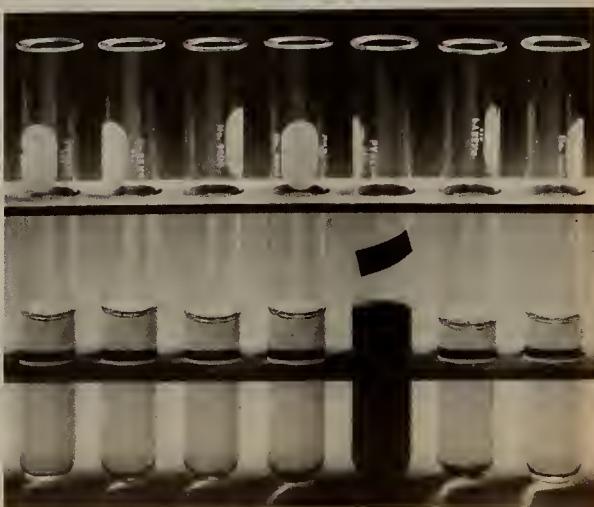
Another proposal which has been given to Congress by the United States Student Association (USSA) is to expand

aid to middle-class students by raising Pell Grant eligibility to include families with annual incomes up to \$49,000. The USSA also wants to open up the Stafford Loan Program to all students, regardless of income.

The American Council on Education is lobbying to raise the maximum Pell Grant to \$4500 a year and expand eligibility to families with incomes of up to \$45,000.

The American Association of University Students (AAUS) urges the college population to get involved by writing to their congressmen expressing their feelings towards federal financial aid programs. AAUS president, Daniel Labovitz, believes that if students are passive and do not express their feelings the government will think that students are satisfied with the present financial aid system.

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Rape cont.

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 dents about safety and the issues surrounding rape through workshops and programs given year-round through Counseling Services and other FSC agencies.

"The college is a reflection of the society around us," explained Shanley, "so we have to be prepared to encounter some of the same serious problems - including rape."

Only two rapes were reported in the previous school year and there were no reported rapes on campus for the four years prior to that. FSC Residence Life Director Sheri Nickel-Millstone believes these low numbers may have more to do with a fear of report-

ing than with a lack of rape cases.

"Society has not made it easy for a victim to report a rape," said Nickel-Millstone, "there is still a perception that the victim is somehow at fault. People need to understand that no one 'asks' to be raped."

The Rape Treatment Center at Santa Monica Hospital estimates that 9 out of 10 rapes on college campuses are never reported.

Nickel-Millstone stresses that support services from Residence Life, Counseling Services, and Public Safety are available to victims and anyone else touched by the crime of rape.

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"I wear black on the outside 'cuz black is how I feel on the inside. And if I seem a little strange- well that's because I am. But I know that you would like me if only you could see me. If only you could need..." The Smiths

Banana + Nurse Reed,
I love you guys. Thanks for
putting up with me. The 3
Musketters forever!

Love ya,
The Morbid One

Hello Lemarie

Loretta,
The couch has a permanent
imprint of your body!

Hey Jay + Blondie-
Sleep??? What's that?!

Shyla,
Hi! (oh and hi Mary too!)

Jenni K

Toomey,
Cocoa butter wrestling next
week? Bring the cornholes!
Opus

Karen,
Always remember the "mis-
sionary position."
Love,
Us TH701

Claudia,
Be happy, but if you can't
come to our counseling ses-
sion! Free of Charge!
Your roomies

D. Drummond
Your a constant thought in
my mind and that thought
gets better and better every
day.
The guy next door KF

Local Greeks:
"Extinction is not something
to contemplate, it's some-
thing to rebel against!"
Good luck on a successful
plodging season!

Gav Pledges! Stay Strong!
You can do it! You are about
to become a part of some-
thing phenomenal! Good
luck!

The sisters of the Neasylon
Society

Sisters of Phi Omega Psi,
"We are the best, we wear the
crest of brown and gold!"
Love + Sis!
Debbie

Lyn C
You are the hottest babe
around! I hope I see you
around G-Lobby a lot more
wearing you brown and gold.
Look for more to come

Hey Ms. Motes,
Take one day off. You de-
serve it!

Love, M.C.
P.S. Just make sure it's with
me

Mohawk Pledges,
Stop your quivering. Stay
strong.
The Mohawk Club!

To the girls in Phi Sigma
Sigma
We love you forever and
ever. Be proud!

Tammy, Stephanie, Rox Z
and Mel

RUSH for Phi Sigma Sigma!
Watch for the blue and gold!

Hey Winona look-a-like,
do you dye your eyebrows to
match your hair? Nice doo!!

Steve,
Did you lie to the Iranians?
Yes? Did you lie to Nicara-
gua? Yes? Did you lie to
Congress? Yes? Are you
lying now? No? Wow! Give
this man a medal!
Barbara Anderson

Perri,
Every night a flock of men
come around looking for
you. How do you do it?

Found:
One barrette, mug, and can of
Hawaiian Punch. For more
information, see Jules J.

To the Women of Phi Sigma
Sigma:
You have all done a fabulous
job! Keep up the good work.
Diodete Hupsala!
Love
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Wellness festival cont.

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day, November 21, the
Tokalons will sponsor a
show in G-Lobby displaying
a lung machine. They will
also be giving out anti-
smoking pins and pamphlets.

Public Safety appeared at
the festival to answer questions
concerning crime and to
promote the Student Escort
system.

Another table was dedi-
cated to environmentalism
and recycling and the
Philodemics organized a
booth explaining their

sorority's role in wellness.

The event neared its finale
with a concert featuring two
local rock bands: Cradle Head
and Callithump. Although
the crowd had somewhat di-
minished at this point, the
bands' performances re-
mained fine enough for a full
house. Cradle Head rocked
out with a great covers and
many of their original tunes.

Callithump had the audience
singing with a reggae version
of the "Gilligan's Island"
theme and several excellent
originals. They finished off

their show by jamming their
own "Monopolizing the
Garden."

The final event of
all-day festival was a 5:30
p.m. performance by the
Fitchburg State Dance Club.

Theresa Crowley, one of
the organizers of the event,
was somewhat disappointed
by the turnout of the various
recognized organizations
that had been invited to take
part in the festival. She
stated that, "Very few re-
sponded although they were
all contacted." Crowley
hopes for a better turnout
next year.



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THE STROBE

Creativity blown to Smithereens

by Dan McDermott
Strobe staff

The Smithereens latest album, *Blow Up*, is an unfortunate disappointment to fans of the Smithereens, particularly to those who were impressed by their last album, *Eleven*.

Produced by Ed Stasium, *Blow Up* tends to run on with no particular place to go. The tracks are redundant, lacking not only in originality, but spice as well. The Smithereens have always drawn fans in with their back to the basics approach to rock and roll. Unfortunately, *Blow Up* is too basic for even fans of the old Smithereens sound. Suffice to say, the Smithereens have finally given

in to the commercial music market.

The single, "Top of the Pops," is the only track that even remotely mirrors what once made the Smithereens great. No doubt "Top of the Pops" will get air play, but it will never reach the top with Smithereens fans.

Vocalist Pat DiNizio is one of the few shining lights on this album. His voice has always been original and crisp and retains those qualities on *Blow Up*. If only the lyrics were as original and crisp as his voice, the Smithereens might have something. But they don't.

Drummer Dennis Diken, guitarist Jim Babjak, and

bassist Mike Mesaros really don't have a particular place on this album. Their work is simply typical, without emotion or any great signs of improvement. In fact, one of the most impressive performances is from saxophonist Steve Berlin, a guest performer on the track "Indigo Blues." Great things from Berlin, but unfortunately, he's not even a member of the band.

The Smithereens have lost whatever edge they used to possess. Whatever it was that gave them that certain something was used upon their last album. Certainly, there are no signs of the once great Smithereens on *Blow Up*.



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Granite Scribes opens Gallery Season

by Michelle Pouliot
Strobe staff

Opening the 1991-92 season in the Campus Center Art Gallery was a unique and different presentation of writing and lettering artwork from Granite Scribes. The Scribes is an active guild of talented individuals who are dedicated to "sharing the inspirations and frustrations of the writing and lettering arts."

These artists have a multi-faceted talent. Not only can they finely craft alphabet characters with exquisite detail, but they are often skilled in other areas such as painting, collaging and stenciling.

An observer in a Granite Scribes gallery can see the words that have been taken from the masters: William Blake, Benjamin Franklin, Lord Byron. The words are all magnificent in their own right, but enhanced by the care and the attention devoted to their forms. Letters are cherished, given life by these artists who beautifully illustrate a theme.

Though these themes may be a central focus, elements

of ink and pastel, watercolor and collage cannot be ignored. The medium are fused and synthesized to create an illustrated message. Some are child like and simple while others are profound and disturbing. All, however, are exquisitely beautiful.

For those who are unfamiliar with writing and lettering artwork, it's important to note that it entails more than simple calligraphy. It is more than Gothic letters with curly tails - it is the appreciation for alphabet characters that is clearly seen in the works of the Granite Scribes.

This feeling is perhaps best described by a Paul Standar's quote taken from Beverly Ralifig's work entitled *Geometric Letters*:

"Geometry can produce legible letters but all alone makes them beautiful. Art begins where Geometry ends and imparts to letters a character transcending mere measurement."

The Gallery exhibit ran from September 11 to October 4, offering observers the opportunity to purchase the artwork.

Thirteen compiles thrilling horror

by Kristi Widberg
Strobe staff

"Thirteen" is a compilation put together by author T. Pines as a showcase for some of the best up and coming horror writers in the young adult genre.

Horror is not an easy subject for fiction writers. This anthology, however, proves that greats such as Stephen King and Clive Barker are not the only scribes that can turn the hairs on innocent, unsuspecting necks.

Two stories that stood

apart were Christopher Pike's "Collect Call" and R. L. Stine's "The Spell." Pike's story revolves around two girls in conflict over an unusually disturbed young man. Stine's tale provides a peculiar outlook on the grotesque side effects of hypnosis. Carol Ellis' "The Doll" finds that an innocent playing can wreak havoc on the lives of a small girl, her family, and friends.

Any fan of horror will appreciate the well-written, original stories Pines has collected. One trait evident

in each of the stories is the strange twist each seems to culminate in.

If you choose to check out "Thirteen" for yourself, read it before going to bed with only a small light to read by. If you're the queasy type, lock your door. Ignore the creaks and groans of your house, or perhaps the footsteps approaching your door. Don't listen to the wind howling outside your window, or the phantoms calling your name. Simply settle down for thirteen chilling horror classics.

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Williamstown Theater offers acting Apprenticeship

by Kiki Venios
Strobe staff

On June 2, 1991, ninety-six anxious apprentices arrived at the Williamstown Theater Festival (WTF) in Williamstown, MA. Each one had their suitcases packed full of dreams, hopes, and fears. The Berkshire air quickly filled with the anticipation of what was to be one of the most overwhelming summers of their lives.

Back in 1954, Williams College News Director, Ralph R. Renzi, wrote an article in the Berkshire Eagle urging local businessmen to fund a summer theater company which was established at the Williams College Adams Memorial Theater. With 10,000 dollars raised by the Board of Trade and permission from the college's trustees, the Williamstown Theater Foundation was born. That first summer, David Bryant and Nikos Psacharopoulos directed a company of twenty-six actors in ten plays.

Two years later, Psacharopoulos went on to become the artistic director,

and the theater began representing some of the most distinguished playwrights and the finest actors, including Austin Pendleton and James Whitmore.

In the beginning the Main Stage events were the only attractions, but soon a second company grew and evolved into the other stage, which now premieres as innovative works.

After building up WTF to one of the most successful stock theaters in the country, Psacharopoulos died in 1989. It is now headed by Peter Hunt, who succeeded at upholding its strong reputation with a 1991 company of 340 actors.

WTF offers an Apprentice Workshop, Sunday Literary events, New Play Readings, a highly competitive Act I company, an early and late-night Cabaret, and a very popular outdoor free theater.

Apprentices do all of the work that as actors would not seem too important. These being: box office, publicity, set design, props, costumes, make-up, lighting, sound production, stage management, theater management,

cabaret and acting.

Most of the opportunities to act are in the classes. With four professional teachers, WTF strives to train the aspiring actor in acting, movement, and voice.

Outside of class, the teachers are more than willing to coach the apprentices in small groups and even one-on-one sessions. They are truly dedicated and inspirational, sometimes working with the apprentices until all hours of the night.

For many apprentices the highlight of the summer was surprisingly not meeting the actors who perform at WTF, but performing themselves in an apprentice Scene Night. No acting experience is needed at WTF.

One very fortunate apprentice was chosen by Austin Pendleton to portray the character of one of Frank Langella's sons in his own rendition of "Booth's Back." A drama about the double life of actor Junius Booth.

It premiered this summer at WTF and will soon be opening on Broadway. Thus the opportunity for a "big break" undoubtedly exists at Williamstown.

Campus Cuisine

by Gail Considine
Contributing writer

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The atmosphere is as warm and cozy as a friend's dining room and the food is as tasty as Mom's own. College students, especially, will appreciate this taste of home. Adequate portions and reasonable prices are only five minutes down the road from campus.

The menu offers a wide variety of choices; it's almost guaranteed that something will appeal to one's palate.

Main entrees include seafood as well as continental cuisine, and, nightly, complete dinner special is offered for \$9.95. A wide selection of appetizers range in price from \$1.95 to \$4.95.

The complete dinner special varies nightly and on this particular evening it was a sea food sampler. Succulent shrimp, scallops, haddock and stuffed fillet of sole broiled in a casserole dish with buttered bread crumbs made up this entree. The

complete dinner also provides: choice of soup or fruit salad cup, garden salad, rolls and butter, potato, vegetable, and dessert. Three different soup choices were available including chicken, 15 bean or onion, but I was tempted by the fresh fruit cup topped with sherbet ice cream.

Rolls are something to look forward to at Michael's. When seconds are requested, the attentive wait staff will bring them to you in a wink.

My main entree, a savory broiled seafood sampler, tasted absolutely delicious. My only complaint is that one piece of shrimp just wasn't enough of a sample.

Dessert included a choice of custard, chocolate pudding, Jell-O or apple crisp with vanilla ice cream. The dish of apple crisp is a mode was devoured in approximately three seconds flat.

My dinner companion ordered chicken parmesan which came with a garden salad and linguine. He thoroughly enjoyed his dinner.

The portions at Michael's are the perfect size. Although one never leaves with leftovers, your stomach will not growl the rest of the night. Dinners range in price from \$1.95 to \$4.95.

Sandwiches and salads are available at a reasonable price. Most run between \$4.95 and \$6.95. When Mom and Dad come to visit, take them to Michael's, maybe they will visit again and treat you ... the food is that good.

Weekly Crossword

Answers to last week's crossword

by Norton Rhoades

Poetry Review

by Kelly Buckowski
Strobe staff

"a total stranger" by c. e. cummings
a total stranger one black day
knew living the hell out of me-

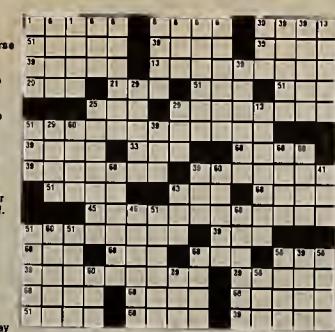
who found forgiveness hard because
my (as it happened) self he was

—but now that fiend and i are such
immortal friends the other's each

c. e. cummings discusses the struggle of trying to overcome the evil within herself in the poem "a total stranger." In actuality, "the total stranger" is the devil, which is depicted through a particular phrase and some certain words, such as "black day," "hell," "fiend," and "immortal."

From the beginning it seems as if cummings was beaten up by "the devil." But by the second stanza, it is apparent that she was not actually confronted by "the devil himself" but rather was in conflict with her "evil side." The line "my (as it happened) self he was," supports this conclusion. cummings was trying to forget and forgive this "evil side" of herself but was not strong enough to do so.

Thus, in the last stanza, cummings gives up fighting with her "evil side" and claims it to be her "immortal friend." In reality she has accepted this part of herself.



QUESTION OF THE WEEK

What are your feelings on Academic Dishonesty?



I think that it is horrible that people cheat, but I feel the FSC academic dishonesty policy is enforceable. Students are here for an education and the only way to get it is to apply themselves to their studies.

-Suzanne Gunderson '93



I think college students should be mature. Academic Dishonesty should not be an issue but unfortunately it still exists. -Sharlene McCloskey '93



I do not think it is right to plagiarize, it is someone else's work. You should work for your own grade. -Nicole Abdeinour '94

Other responses:

I am totally against cheating but if you can get away with it, go for it. -Connie White '94

The policy should be strictly enforced. -Joe Repole '93

I do not think that cheating is necessary, if you do your work and study you should not have to cheat. -Sharon Todd '92

Are you a liberal?

by Steve Straight
Strobe staff

Left. Center. Right. Liberal. Conservative. What does it all mean? Ever wonder where you stand on the so-called "political spectrum"? Here's your chance to find out. Write down your answers to the following nine questions (be honest!), and check out the scoring at the end.

1) It is fundamentally wrong for some people to have more than other people.

- a) I totally agree with this statement.
- b) I kind of agree with this statement.
- c) I kind of disagree with this statement.
- d) This statement is ridiculous.
- e) Don't know/unsure.

2) Proposition 2 1/2

- a) is unfair to children and the poor and should be repealed.
- b) is a nuisance, but it should stay on the books.
- c) is a good law, and I wouldn't really change it.
- d) is a good thing, but a proposition 1 1/2 would be better.

3) Which editorials are you most likely to agree with?

- a) The ones found in the Boston Globe
- b) The ones found in the Strobe
- c) The ones found in the Boston Herald
- d) The ones found in the National Review (a conservative paper).

4) People who block access to abortion clinics

- a) should be punished to fullest extent of the law.
- b) should be arrested, but given lenient sentences.
- c) should be restrained, but not arrested.
- d) should be left alone.
- e) Don't know/unsure.

5) Condoms should

- a) be given away free in high schools.
- b) be made available in schools to those who ask for them.
- c) be made available to young people, but not in school.
- d) not be sold to anyone under 18.
- e) Don't know/unsure.

6) The Pledge of Allegiance

- a) is brainwashing and should be banned from schools.
- b) should be said only by children whose parents approve.
- c) should be said by all children unless their parents strongly object.
- d) is an American tradition and all children should say it.
- e) Don't know/unsure.

7) Governor Weld

- a) is taking food out of the mouths of the poor people and children.
- b) had to do some of what he did, but I'm not pleased with the job he's doing.
- c) is doing a good job, for the most part.
- d) is doing a great job.
- e) Don't know/unsure.

8) The tuition at Fitchburg State College

- a) is way too high. The state should pick up a much bigger chunk of the tab.
- b) should stay the same, but more aid should be given to more students.
- c) is fair, and needs no substantial adjustment.
- d) should be raised to ease the burden on the taxpayers.
- e) Don't know/unsure.

9) Which statement do you most agree with?

- a) We need to raise taxes in Massachusetts, and wealthy people and businesses should bear the brunt of the load.
- b) We need to raise taxes, but it's better to tax things like gasoline and cigarettes than it is to tax people.
- c) We don't need to raise taxes, we just need to learn how to live within the budget we now have.
- d) Military spending should not be reduced, because the world needs a strong America more now than ever before.
- e) Don't know/unsure.

Scoring:

Give yourself 4 points for every "a", 3 points for every "b", 2 points for every "c", and 1 point for every "d". Also subtract 2 points for every "e".

Evaluation:

36-40 Go to the yellow pages, look up the Socialist Workers party, and give them a call. There are some kindred souls there who are dying to meet you.

32-35 Yup, you're a liberal, and a good one, too. If you're a Massachusetts resident, please repeat the following phrase until it becomes natural for you: "I must never vote against anyone named Kennedy, I must never vote against anyone named Kennedy..."

24-32 You're either a smack-dab in the middle of the political spectrum, or you're real liberal on some issues and real conservative on others. People like you really upset politicians because they never know what to say to get your vote. Unless, of course, you don't vote, in which case they don't care what you think...

16-24 You lean *abit* toward the conservative side of things. If you never thought of yourself as a conservative, check your closet. Ownership of any of the following qualifies you as a conservative;

Men:

- a paisley tie
- wing tip shoes
- a pinstripe suit
- a cravat

Ladies:

- a "power suit"
- formal gloves,
- more than two skirts that go below the knee,
- a helmet.

10-16: Take my advice, leave Massachusetts as soon as you can, because there's no one here who'll understand you or even want to talk with you. If you have no place to go, call up Senator Jesse Helms in Washington. Once he gets to know you, I'm sure he'll put you up for the night.

0-9: Wake up!

Photos by Carrie Jorgensen

MORE SPORTS ...

Soccer team wins decisively

by Mike Cirillo
Strobe staff

On Saturday, September 29, the Fitchburg State soccer team won decisively, beating Southern Maine 6-1. This game gave coach Malcolm McPhearson his 99th win, one shy of the "century club."

The first half started off slow for the Falcons. Southern Maine scored first within the twenty minute mark. However it did not take long for Fitchburg to retaliate. A free kick outside the penalty area led to tying the game when senior Mike Kramer headed home the cross for the score. Then late in the first period the captain combination hooked up. Jim Hodgdon gave a brilliant heel pass to a streaking Jason Malone who beat a defender and scored to ice the game.

The second half was all Fitchburg. Two goals were scored minutes apart by Eric Ringuette, each assisted by Malone to make the score 4-

1. Midway through the period the captain combination struck again, Hodgdon assisting on Malone for his second goal. Malone finished the scoring with his third goal when he received a through ball by David McStowe.

Leading the defense and keeping Southern Maine's scoring threat to a minimum was sweeper back Mark Buron. Also playing well was Roy Provost and Matt Mullen. Goalie Eric Hubler recorded his second win saving six shots.

On the down side, the team lost their first game of the season at the feet of Clark University 2-0 on Monday the 30th. The game was scoreless in the first half but in the second, the Falcons played with a mandown when Mike Kramer got a red card and was ejected from the game. Clark scored two goals in the final nine minutes of playing time.

The Falcons travel to Milton for a match against Curry College on Thursday, October 10.

Falcon Droppings

RINGUETTE GETS, AND GETS EARLY: Through 6 games this season junior, Eric Ringuette has tallied four times, already equalling his total from last season...

KRAMER VS. KRAMER VS. KRAMER VS. KRAMER: Senior Mike Kramer leaves Coach MacPherson "Kramerless" for the first time in his nine year coaching career. Brothers Kevin, Andy and Jim preceded him. Look for Eric Saczawa's feature detailing the Kramer saga next week...

MALONE ALONE: After two weeks of soccer play, Captain Jason Malone has taken home player of the week honors both times...

AND THE GAMES GO ON: The Falcons took three of their first four games into overtime. They came away with a victory and two ties...

Falcon stars earn honors MA SCAC players of the week

Kristy Faugno and Jason Malone



"It really is an honor, nothing like this has ever happened to me," said Faugno. The senior has scored four goals, as the Lady Falcons ran their flawless record to 6-0.



Malone's eight goals and seven assists in seven games speak for themselves. His 46 points last season have made Malone an All-American candidate. As noted in the Falcon Droppings, he has won this award twice this season. Can he threepeat?

Volleyball team improving

by Cheryl Hines
Strobe staff

Fitchburg State's volleyball team defeated Gordon College at the Salem State Invitational Tournament. Gordon College had previously defeated nationally ranked Eastern Nazarene. This tournament hosts the top teams in the east every year and Fitchburg State has proven themselves here time and again. Although the Falcons lost five tough matches, they did leave Salem with two big victories.

It took time for the team of

ten to come together, but as two team members agreed upon, "We have learned to come together, work hard together and bond together. That closeness will bring us victories."

Assistant Coach Cathy Salaki also added, "We have the potential to beat anyone on any given day."

This season five new players have been added. The blend of experience and youth have proven to be a successful formula. Head coach Bob Murray said, "We are a green team now, when our opponents find a weak-

ness they can exploit it. An experienced team would adjust, but as of right now we don't have that experience."

The remainder of the schedule will pit FSC against teams of various levels of talent.

"State colleges are great, you have kids from all different backgrounds. To blend them together and have them learn what team work can bring is amazing," said Coach Murray, now in his 12th year.

The Falcons travel south today to spike it out with Bridgewater. Their match begins at 7:00 p.m.

FALCON SCOREBOARD

Compiled by Keith Gentili

FOOTBALL

	Conf.	Overall
Bridgewater	1-0	2-1
Mass. Maritime	1-0	2-1
Westfield	1-0	1-2
Framingham	0-1	1-1
Worcester	0-1	1-3
FITCHBURG	0-1	0-3

SOCCER

Salem	1-0	5-0
FITCHBURG	2-0	4-1-2
Bridgewater	1-1	3-3
Westfield	1-0	3-4
Mass. Maritime	1-1	4-2-1
North Adams	0-1	6-1
Worcester	0-0	0-3
Framingham	0-3	1-5

FIELD HOCKEY

	Conf.	Overall
FITCHBURG	1-0	6-0
Salem	0-0	3-2
Worcester	0-0	2-2
Bridgewater	0-1	1-4-1
Westfield	0-0	1-3
Framingham	0-0	1-4

VOLLEYBALL

Framingham	1-0	8-4
FITCHBURG	2-0	9-9
Bridgewater	1-0	2-5
Salem	0-1	1-12
North Adams	1-3	1-7
Worcester	0-1	4-9

*All records as 9/30, FSC updated 10/4.

The Week Ahead

October 9-15

Today:	Volleyball at Bridgewater
Thurs:	Soccer at Curry
Fri:	Field Hockey-Bridgewater(H)
Sat:	Cross Country MASCAC Championships - noon
Sun:	Soccer at Salem - noon
Mon:	Football-UMass Boston (H) 1 p.m.
Tues:	Volleyball at NH College 1 p.m.
Wed:	Field Hockey at Elms College, Chicopee, 1 p.m.
Fri:	Mon: Field Hockey at Salem
Sat:	Tues: Soccer-Westfield (H)
Sun:	VolleyBall-Franklin Pierce (H)
	Intramural schedules next week.

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Cross-Country, off and running

by Marc Trongone
Strobe Staff

The 1991 Fitchburg State College men's and women's cross country seasons are in high gear. With star runners, women's captain Melissa Lombard, and men's co-captains Francisco Hernandez and Rich Carabba pacing the way, this year's seasons promise to be an exciting and successful one.

The men's team returns three top runners in Hernandez, Carabba, and junior Jason Cullinane. The big three are complimented by Dave Powers and freshmen Jim Devine and Kevin Morris. Early success has coach Jim Sheehan looking forward to a successful campaign.

"I feel this is the best team I've had in five years. Everything is going well and I expect good things to continue," said Sheehan.

Responding to the coach's praise, the team attributes their success to diligent off-season training program developed by Dr. Lee Cunningham of the FSC physical education department. The 24-week program began Memorial Day and included daily runs averaging 10 miles. On Sundays the workout is

commonly 15-20 miles.

The attitude and dedication on this year's squad is phenomenal. "I feel coach Sheehan has a good approach, he gives good advice. We're a disciplined group, we like to work hard but still have fun," said Hernandez.

All of this dedication, hard work, and discipline should pay off for the Falcons in the months ahead. Look for Hernandez, Carabba, and Cullinane to attain all-MASCAC honors. Last season Hernandez was the 10,000 meter MASCAC champion and Carabba was the 5,000 meter champion in outdoor track. Both would like to add to their resumes.

Hernandez, a junior from El Salvador, has a simple but interesting formula for success. "I like to stay relaxed, run hard, and don't pass out," he said.

Carabba strives for his success through focusing on the psychological aspects of running. "Cross country is a game within a game. It is a mental sport as much as a physical one," said Carabba.

Coach Sheehan looks to this weekend's MASCAC Championships with optimism.

"Our top three runners are the top three in the league. With Morris, Devine, and Chris

Smith (3-time letterman) running well, Fitchburg will win," said Sheehan.

The outlook for the women's team is just as bright. Leading the way for the Lady Falcons is junior captain Melissa Lombard. Melissa's summer training has made her one of the top runners in Division three this year.

"I ran seven or eight miles a day, swam, and ate properly. It's really paid off for me," said Lombard.

This season Melissa has placed fourth at the Storckhill Invitational, sixth at the Williams Invitational, and at the Salem/Tufts meet she finished second.

(see accompanying box for details).

"The Williams Invitational was very exciting and satisfying for me. I beat a lot of top runners," said the Brockton junior.

Currently Melissa and her teammates are setting their sites on this weekend's MASCAC championships. She feels this team has the ingredients to win.

"I think this team can do really well. Everyone works together and everyone is dedicated," said Lombard. "We will win at the MASCAC if the freshmen

holding calls extended Bridgewater's fourth quarter drives.

The Falcon offense could only produce 154 yards on the ground and 15 yards passing. Many of the Falcon drives were three plays and then punt.



Jeff Graziano

Melissa Lombard - FSC X-Country

continue to run well," she added.

The impressive freshman runners are Moritz Rosario of Billerica, and Fitchburg natives Jenny Kennedy and Tina Rouine. Rene Cave and Linda Glover will also add to the team's success.

Coach Jim Jellison is very confident in this team and is expecting big things. "This might be the best team I've had since the '83 team, which went to the nationals," says Jellison.

now in his 14th year as head coach. "We have a real good chance this weekend. Westfield is our greatest concern. Our top two match theirs. It will come down to the three, four, five finishers," said Jellison.

This women's cross country squad is talented and dedicated, which should spell success. "Dedication has to be there, and with this group the dedication is there. That's the key," said Jellison.

Falcon's defense tough; but team falls

by Steve Farley
Contributing writer

On Saturday, September 28, the Fitchburg State Falcons hosted the Bears of Bridgewater State in this season's home opener.

Through three quarters, the Falcons defense hung tough only giving up nine points. However, in the fourth quarter, Bridgewater State's Quarterback, Robert Guindon threw a 34 yard touch down pass to Jess Hammond and a six yard touchdown pass to Christopher Rogers to ice the contest.

Fitchburg State's lone touchdown came from an impressive 67 yard run by Phil Doherty who ran in Bridgewater's two cornerbacks to close the game at 22-7. Phil Doherty carried the ball 21 times for

144 yards and one touchdown. Doherty also completed four of ten passes for 15 yards and one interception. His accomplishments earned him a spot on the MASCAC honor roll.

Fitchburg State held Bridgewater to only 262 yards in total offense. A large portion

of the Falcon's success

came from the defense

holding calls extended

Bridgewater's fourth quarter drives.

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Falcon Wing ...Does it Fly?

A statistical look at FSC's unique offense

Rushing Attempts	120	Passing Attempts	37
Yards Gained	490	Passing Completions	13
Yards Lost Rush	68	Intercepted	2
Net Yards Rushing	422	Net Yards Passing	95
Yards per Rush	3.52	Yards per Attempt	2.6
Yards per Game	141	Yards per Game	32

Editors Note: Totals after three games

tion coming in the fourth quarter when Fitchburg State's defense became tired and frustrated. Also, costly penalties such as personal fouls, defensive pass interference and

Pat Keough led the Falcon's defense Saturday with another outstanding performance. He totaled 11 tackles, one of those for a loss. Mark Poehsel added

six tackles, two for losses totaling ten yards. Also contributing to the defense's success were Howie North and Sean McCarthy. They combined for 17 tackles.

The Falcon's special teams continued to play well. The Falcons had 101 yards in kickoff return yardage led by John Caouette who had two kickoff



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